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Plate No. **LM**

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**The Old  
Wooden Bucket**

Plate shown actual size of 8" (20.32 cm) in diameter.



# My mother's best advice?

*Famous offspring report some lasting words of wisdom in this Mother's Day quotebook*

*This spring, USA WEEKEND called and faxed dozens of accomplished Americans, from a variety of disciplines, asking two simple questions: What's the best advice your mom gave you? When does it come in handy?*

## CELEBRITIES

**Kim Alexis Dugway, model:**

"Remember right from wrong. [I used it] when I started to model: There were times that I would be the only person in the studio who did not think it was a good idea to take my clothes off."

**Mary Chapin Carpenter, country singer:** "Do your thing!"

**Mary Hart, Entertainment Tonight host:** "Stand up straight. She would walk up behind me and poke two fingers between my shoulder blades."

**John Tesh, Entertainment Tonight host and musician:** "Practice, practice, practice. Every day after

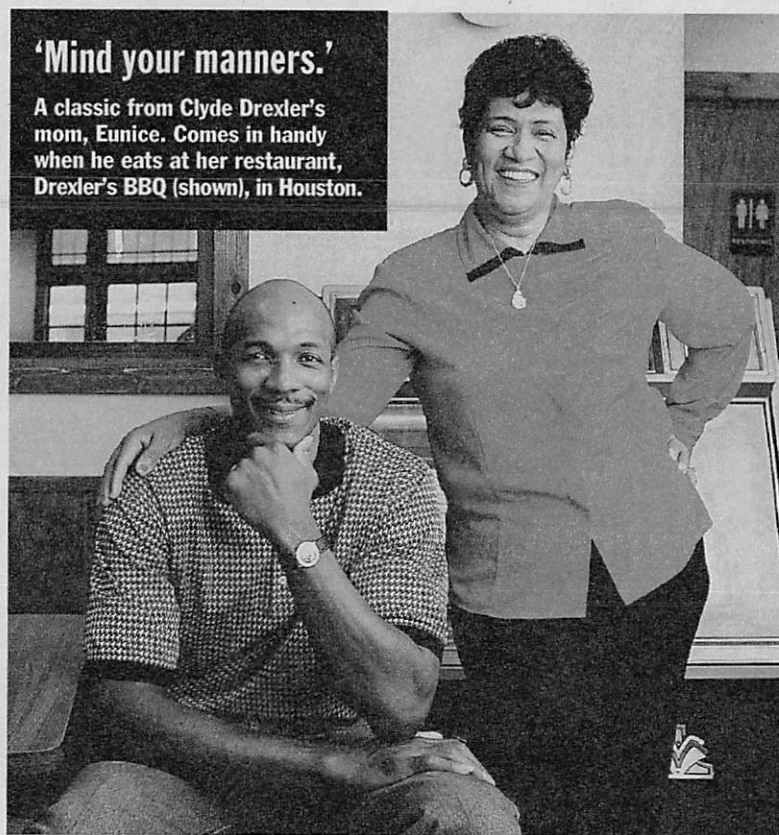
school, she'd set an egg timer on the piano for two hours. How in the world could I ever have released 10 albums since 1987 if my mom had not been so strict with that egg timer?"



Richard Simmons with his unconditional mom, Shirley

## 'Mind your manners.'

A classic from Clyde Drexler's mom, Eunice. Comes in handy when he eats at her restaurant, Drexler's BBQ (shown), in Houston.



**Clyde Drexler, Houston Rockets basketball,** says Mom told him: "Stick up for what you believe in. Always treat people the way you want to be treated. These are two very important pieces of advice. She also taught me the value of hard work and the value of what it is to be loved unconditionally. She reminded me — taught me — to always put something back into the community, whether it is time, money or effort. Mind your manners, too."

## LEADERS IN THEIR FIELDS

**Debbi Fields, Mrs. Fields Cookies:**

"The best advice my mother gave to the youngest of her five children (all girls, by the way) was: 'Never be a follower — always be a leader.' It came in handy when I thought of opening my first cookie store in 1977, a then-unheard-of concept. Eighteen years and 600 Mrs. Fields stores later, I can assure you that that is the best advice my mother ever gave me."



'Mrs. Fields,' right, with mom Mary Sivy-Turner

**Norman Schwarzkopf, Gulf War general:** "My mother said to me when I was a small child: 'You are a very lucky person. You were born white, you were born American and you were born Protestant. Therefore, you will be spared the prejudices that many other people experience. But you should always remember that this was strictly an accident of birth. Therefore, you should never be prejudiced against anyone else just because they have a different skin color, nationality or religion.'"

**Daniel S. Goldin, head of NASA:** "My mother told me to read books. She wanted me to understand that reading opens the gateways of the mind to new ideas and possibilities.

**Trisha Yearwood, country singer:**

the time to view the situation."